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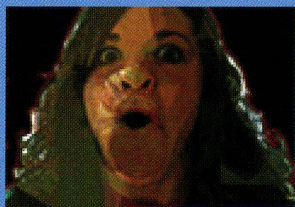
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FALL ON YOUR FACE

“FIND OUT WHAT PLEASES THE LORD”
EPHESIANS 5:10



SMALL GROUP INFORMATION

SMALL GROUP LEADER 1:

CONTACT INFO

SMALL GROUP LEADER 2:

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SMALL GROUP MEMBERS:

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YOUTH CONFERENCE LEADER'S SCHEDULE

Friday

9:00-9:45 pm

"Catch the YC Vision"
Meet Jeremy Kingsley
Introduction to Gathering

Stuart Room-Chapel

Saturday

10:30-noon

12:00-1:00 pm

7:15-8:15 pm

Gatherings with students
Youth Sponsor Lunch
"Before the Throne"

Various Locations
Dining Commons
Sickler Hall Prayer Chapel

Sunday

10:45-11:30 am

"Effective Follow Up"

Stuart Room-Chapel

FRIDAY - APRIL 21

4:00-7:00 pm	Registration	Rediger Auditorium
4:00-6:00 pm	Welcome Activities	Rediger Auditorium
5:00-7:00 pm	Dinner	Dining Commons
7:00-8:45 pm	Session 1	Rediger Auditorium
9:00-9:45 pm	Small Groups	Various Locations
10:00-11:30 pm	Friday Night Activities	Dining Commons

SATURDAY - APRIL 22

8:00-9:00 am	Breakfast	Dining Commons
9:00-10:30 am	Session 2	Rediger Auditorium
10:30 am- Noon	Gatherings	Various Locations
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch with Small Groups	Dining Commons
1:00-2:00 pm	Service Project	Kesler Student Activities Center
2:00-4:30 pm	Saturday Activities	Dining Commons Field
4:45-5:30 pm	Dinner	Dining Commons
5:30-7:15 pm	Session 3	Rediger Auditorium
7:15-8:15 pm	Small Groups	Various Locations
8:15-10:30 pm	Concert	Rediger Auditorium
10:30 pm-1:00 am	Game Time	Kesler Student Activities Center
10:30 pm-1:00 am	Eric & Tracy Show	Student Union

SUNDAY - APRIL 23

8:30-9:15 am	Breakfast	Dining Commons
9:15-10:45 am	Session 4	Rediger Auditorium
10:45-11:30 am	Small Groups	Various Locations
11:30 am-1:00 pm	Lunch	Dining Commons

SESSION I

SMALL GROUP NOTES

SESSION 2

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SESSION 4

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DEVOTIONAL DAY 1

WHAT DOES WORSHIP MEAN TO YOU?

"...ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name. Bring an offering and come before Him; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness." – 1 Chronicles 16:29 (NIV)

How did you define worship before Youth Conference 2006?

How has your view of worship changed through what you experienced at Youth Conference?

Reflect on this statement, "What if we were so moved by who God is, what He's done, what He will do, that praise, adoration, worship, whatever, continuously careened in our heads and pounded in our souls?" - David Crowder, Praise Habit (pg.23).

How does this relate to 1 Chronicles 16:29?

Note: The word "worship" in 1 Chronicles 16:29, in the original Hebrew (shachah), means "to bow down," "to prostrate oneself (fall flat on your face!) before God in worship."¹

"We fall down; we lay our crowns, at the feet of Jesus." – "We Fall Down"

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands."
- Psalm 19:1 (NIV)

Pray: Ask God to show you how to apply what you have learned at Youth Conference to your relationship with Him.

¹ Brown, Driver, Briggs and Gesenius, "Hebrew Lexicon entry for Shachah"; "The KJV Old Testament Hebrew Lexicon";

DEVOTIONAL DAY 2

WHO CAN BE COMPARED TO HIM?

“Who else has held the oceans in his hand? Who has measured off the heavens with his fingers? Who else knows the weight of the earth or has weighed the mountains and hills on a scale?”
Isaiah 40:12 (NLT)

“‘To whom will you compare Me? Who is My equal?’ asks the Holy One.” Isaiah 40:25 (NLT)

“Sometimes praise comes face to the ground, unable to move because we are so aware that this holy, terrifying God has busied Himself bringing us back to Him.” – David Crowder, Praise Habit pg. 70

Have you ever been overwhelmed enough by God and who He is that you could do nothing but fall on your face in humble submission to Him? If you haven't, why do you think that is?

What is the significance of bowing down, or falling on your face in regards to Christ? Why do you think He deserves this act of reverence?

Reflect: God is a God to be respected, revered, and exalted to the highest degree. This is why we are to bow down and worship Him.

Pray: Fall on your face and truly worship God for all that He is today! Tell Him of His greatness and mighty power! Thank Him for His gracious love for you!

FALLING ON YOUR FACE IN REPENTANCE

Read the story of David from 2 Samuel 12:

In this story, David sleeps with Bathsheeba who is married to Uriah, and ends up murdering her husband to protect his own reputation.

As you can see, David felt so much guilt and sorrow because of his broken relationship with God that the only way he could approach God was by falling on his face. We fall on our faces to be humbled before Him in repentance and godly sorrow.

What does the word guilt mean to you?

Everyone has felt guilt over their sin, and that is why we should fall on our faces in repentance! When were you ever so sorry for your choice of actions that you actually fell on your face before our Heavenly Father?

Pray: Fall on your face before God in prayer. Humbly confess your sin to Him and repent of them. Ask Him for strength to stay away from that sin from now on.

DEVOTIONAL DAY 4

A LESSON IN FORGIVENESS AND CONSEQUENCES

We last left off when David was humbly repenting before God. Let's take a look at the forgiveness that comes with that, but also at the consequences he faced.

Once David realized his sin, he said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." Nathan replied, "The Lord has taken away your sin. You are not going to die." Wow! That is the forgiveness of our God! Isn't He awesome? However, this doesn't mean that we won't suffer consequences for our sin.

Right after Nathan said that to David, he said this, "But because by doing this you have made the enemies of the Lord show utter contempt, the son born to you will die." Does that sound pretty harsh? It just goes to show that God's love is amazing, but it doesn't mean He won't discipline us for our sin. As our Heavenly Father, He must discipline us so that we will make the necessary changes in our lives in order to honor Him.

Have there been times in your life when you have sinned and repented, yet God still disciplined you? How did you feel about that?

Have your parents ever disciplined you harshly? Why do you think they did that?

Sometimes it is hard, to understand but we must trust that God disciplines us because He loves us. "For the Lord disciplines those He loves, and he punishes each one he accepts as His child."
- Hebrews 12:6

Pray: Fall on your face again and confess your sins to God. Ask Him to help you better understand His love. If you are wondering why He does some of the things He does that you don't like, ask Him to reveal what He is trying to teach you through that experience.

A LESSON FROM SIMON PETER

In Luke chapter 5, Jesus tells the disciples, who had not caught any fish all night, to go out into deeper water and throw out their nets. Simon Peter said in verse 5, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." They caught so many fish that the nets began to break! The boats were getting so heavy that they began to sink. Verse 8 says, "When Simon Peter saw this, he fell (this is the Greek word 'proskipto,' which means to fall forwards, fall down, prostrate one's self) at Jesus' knees and said, 'Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!'"

Peter realized in that moment how amazing Jesus is and felt unworthy of being in His presence because of his sinfulness. All he could do was fall on his face before Him!

Do you have faith like Simon Peter? Even when you think you have everything under control, would you be able to listen to Jesus? What is an example of a time when you had a really tough situation facing you?

Did you give it up to Jesus in prayer and faith? If yes, what did it feel like to live in faith? If no, what's stopping you?

Did you feel a peace about the situation because God was in control?

Pray: Fall on your face! Ask God to show you how to trust Him. Ask Him to take control of your life and lift up each situation to Him. Start living out of faith right now and continue to trust our awesome, all-powerful Heavenly Father for the rest of your life. He is in control and He wants you to trust Him.

FALLING ON YOUR FACE IN PRAYER!

"[Jesus] withdrew about a stone's throw beyond [the disciples], knelt down (fell on his face before His Father!) and prayed, 'Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.'" —Luke 22:41-42 (NIV) Think about this: If Jesus fell on His face before His Father, why shouldn't we?

"Prayer is the way that the life of God in us is nourished."

—Oswald Chambers, *My Utmost for His Highest*

Is prayer currently an important thing to you? Do you practice the discipline daily?

If so, keep it up! Explore some new, and different ways to talk with God (see below)! If not, why not? What has been replacing the time for prayer in your life? Has it been a girlfriend or boyfriend? Has it been shopping? Videogames? Sports? Television?

What are some personal and practical ways that you can make sure you practice prayer daily?

Try This: Here are a few simple ways to practice the discipline of prayer.

1) Pray the Scripture: Go through parts of scripture like the Psalms and Proverbs. Take a chapter, for instance Psalm 27. Read the passage aloud, then pray to God what first hits you about the passage. This is a form of praise to Him. Here's an example from Psalm 27:1. Do this for the whole chapter.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?"

You pray something that you feel after reading, for example: "Father, I praise you for saving me. I thank you for being my guardian and my strength. I have nothing to fear in this life because you are with me."

2) Breath Prayer: You can do this throughout your day. All you have to do is think of a phrase of praise to God, like "Father I love you," or, "God you are awesome." Then, just silently pray that to Him throughout the day as you walk around.

3) Prayer for Others: As you walk around during the day, say quick prayers for the people you pass. This is a form of intercessory prayer.

WHY WAIT?

"After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: 'Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.' All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: 'Amen! Praise and Glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!'" – Revelation 7:9-12

Wow! Isn't that incredible? We are going to be falling on our faces for all of eternity to worship God! So if we are going to be falling on our faces for all of eternity, why shouldn't we start practicing right now?

Now that Youth Conference is over, and you have learned a lot about falling on your face, have you begun to see the importance of actually doing it?

Has falling on your face been a priority this week after Youth Conference? Have you been practicing what you've learned? If so, what have you felt as a result of this? What is God showing you through this?

If you haven't been practicing, why not? What has been hindering you?

Pray: Fall on your face and thank God for what He has taught you through your time at Youth Conference and through this past week of continued study. Ask Him to keep revealing His truths to you.






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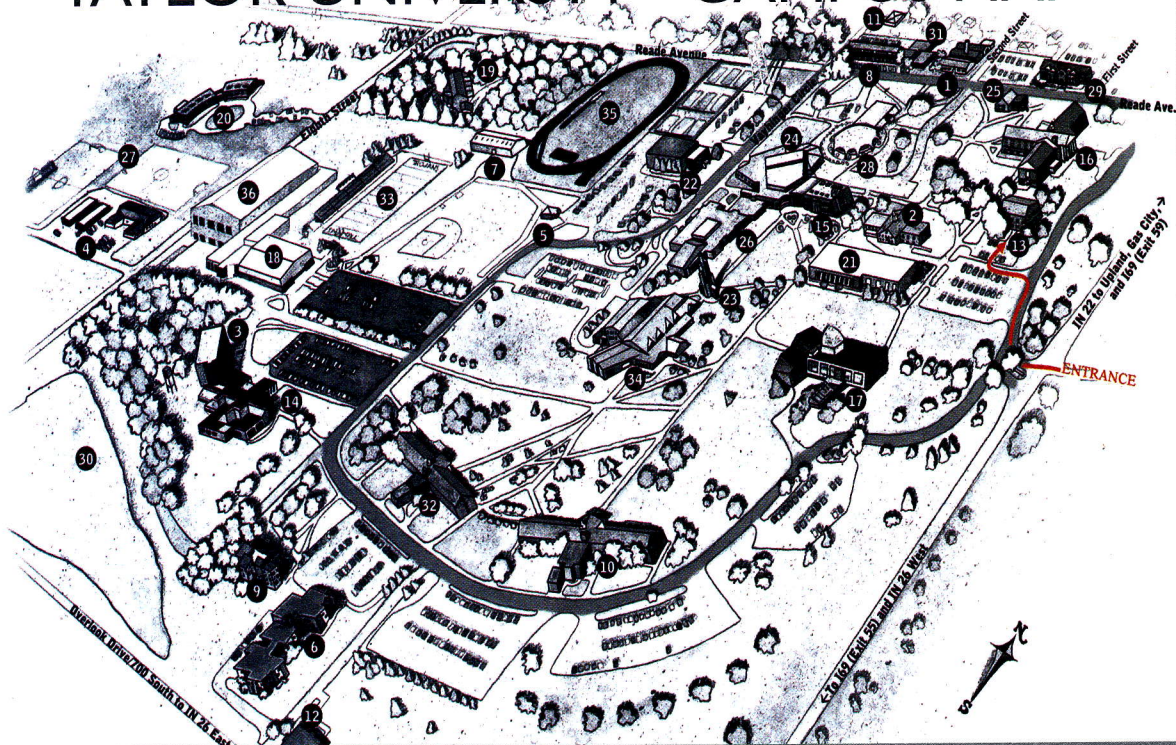
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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

-  Your wristband is required for admittance to all YC events. Please wear it all weekend.
-  All students must be in their residence halls by curfew. Curfew is midnight on Friday and 1:00 am on Saturday.
-  Students are not allowed to leave campus during the conference.
-  All conferees are expected to participate in all scheduled activities.
-  If you have questions, look for the cabinet members in the red shirts or stop by the 24-hour Info Desk in the lobby of Rediger Auditorium.

TAYLOR UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MAP



1 ATTERBURY BUILDING

2 AYERS ALUMNI MEM. HALL

3 BERGWALL HALL

4 BOYD BUILDING

5 **CAMPUS SAFETY**

6 ENGLISH HALL

7 FIELD HOUSE

8 FERDINAND FRIEMUTH
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

9 OLSON HALL

10 GERIG HALL

11 GUEST HOUSE

12 **HEALTH CENTER**

13 HELENA MEMORIAL HALL

14 **DINING COMMONS**

15 MODELLE METCALF
VISUAL ARTS CENTER

16 MORRIS HALL

17 NUSSBAUM SCIENCE CENTER

18 ODLE GYMNASIUM

19 PRESIDENT'S HOUSE

20 RANDALL ENVIRONMENTAL
SCIENCE CENTER

21 READE MEMORIAL LIBERAL
ARTS CENTER

22 **REDIGER CHAPEL/
AUDITORIUM**

23 RICE BELL TOWER

24 RUPP COMMUNICATION
ART CENTER

25 SICKLER HALL

26 SMITH-HERMANSON
MUSIC CENTER

27 SOCCER FIELDS

28 **STUDENT UNION**

29 SWALLOW ROBIN
HALL

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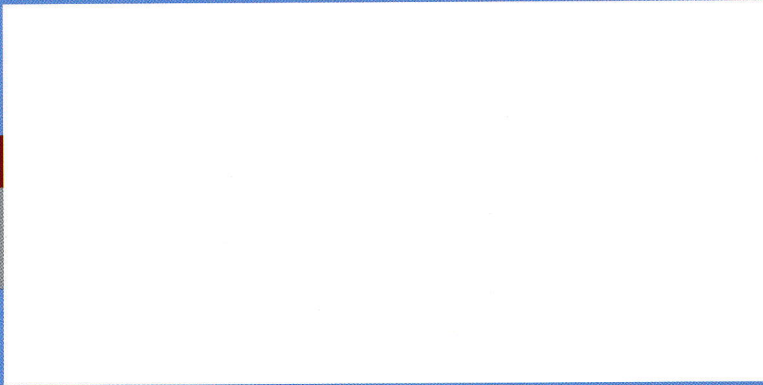
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33 JIM WHEELER
MEMORIAL STADIUM

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35 GEORGE GLASS
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